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November 8, 2002

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications & Energy
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Re: <u>D.T.E. 02-45 Global NAPs, Inc. Arbitration</u>

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Department that Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon MA") and Global NAPs, Inc. ("GNAPs") hereby mutually agree that they will not raise as an issue before any state or federal agency or court of law the timing of the Department's issuance of its final decision in the above-captioned matter, provided that such decision is rendered no later than December 12, 2002.

Very truly yours,

/s/Keefe B. Clemons

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Concurred by:

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